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Docket No. GC717-2-US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of ) Group Art Unit: 1656  
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Serial No.: 10/500,936 ) Confirmation No.: 1489  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Final Office Action dated September 9, 2009:

one month to \_\_\_\_\_; the extension fee is \$130.00.  
two months to \_\_\_\_\_; the extension fee is \$490.00.  
three months to March 9, 2010; the extension fee is \$1,110.00.  
four months to \_\_\_\_\_; the extension fee is \$1,730.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC717-2-US).

Respectfully submitted,

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